

## NORTH ATLANTIC STATES SHAKEN BY NEW QUAKE

### Shocks Felt From Penn State Northward Into Quebec Today

Boston, Dec. 24.—(AP)—New England was jarred today by the second earthquake within five days.

Slight earth shocks also were felt throughout the New York metropolitan area at 8:46 a. m. (7:46 a. m., C. S. T.). The tremors were felt from Brooklyn to the Bronx.

The earthquake, likewise shook portions of Canada, as far west as the province of Ontario.

Despite the great area in which the shocks were felt, running westward hundreds of miles from the New England coast, southward into New York and Pennsylvania, and northward into Quebec, no serious damage was indicated.

The tremors knocked Christmas tree ornaments and toilet articles to the floor in some places, rattled dishes, and caused furniture to rock slightly.

#### Study Quake's Nature

The Harvard University seismograph station at Harvard, Mass., reported that the quake apparently as severe as that of last Friday.

Seismologist, who said last week's shock was caused by a slow lifting of the earth crust in New England, depressed by enormous ice masses during the ice age, studied their records to determine the nature of today's tremors.

Destruction of a rare tile garboge was reported from the Peabody museum at Salem, Mass., where the relic was knocked from a shelf and crashed through a show case before it fell, broken, on the floor.

Some sections reported continuing tremors a half-hour after the first shock.

## Gift Brings Tragedy To Rockford Family

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—The Christmas gift which Henry O. Reitsch bought for his wife was blamed today for the death of the 40-year-old former University of Illinois football player.

The gift—a pistol—was ordered by Reitsch for his wife in order that she might carry it in her car for protection. The gun was delivered last night and, said Police Captain Ralph Fossler, when Reitsch toyed with it while lying in a twin bed, it discharged. The bullet entered the temple.

Capt. Fossler, who termed the shooting accidental, said that Reitsch's wife occupied the other twin bed at the time. Reitsch, treasurer of the Reitsch Brothers Building Material Company, had been ill with a leg infection for several weeks. He played center for Illinois two decades ago.

The widow and one child survive.

## President Broadcasts Christmas Message

Washington, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The White House, like millions of homes all over America, was attuned today to the gentle spirit of Christmas.

Through the doorway of his second-floor study, President Roosevelt could see the lights of the family Christmas tree twinkle on the brightly-wrapped gift packages beneath it.

The president will broadcast his annual Christmas message over N.B.C., C.B.S. and M.B.S. hook-ups to the nation at 5:11 P. M. (4:11 P. M., C. S. T.) today when he presses a button lighting another Yule tree on the ellipse.

That 30-foot spruce, placed in the park midway between the White House and the Washington monument, symbolizes the nation's observance of Christmas.

## Shortage of Aluminum Curtails Plane Makers

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Northrop Aircraft Corp., which holds national defense contracts totaling \$10,000,000, is curtailing working hours of 2,000 employees by 20 per cent because of an aluminum shortage.

Lamotte T. Cohn, general manager, announced last night that the workers' time would be reduced from 10 to eight hours a day, effective immediately. The company's plant, at nearby Hawthorne, has been on a 20-hour schedule daily. It now will operate 16.

"There simply isn't enough aluminum available to meet the great demand occasioned by the national defense program," Cohn declared.

## Former Pastor in Rock River Conference Dies

Los Angeles.—(AP)—Funeral services will be held Thursday for Dr. Ezra N. Currier, 87, who was the oldest alumnus of the University of Southern California. Dr. Currier, who started his career as a Methodist minister in Illinois' Rock River Conference, died Sunday.

## Case Solved

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Chief Petty Officer Greenwell of the navy recruiting station has solved the case of the disappearing tinsel from his Christmas tree.

The cat ate it. Looking up from his chair, Greenwell, who had watched his pet start at the bottom of one piece, and, stopping only to lick her paws once in a while, eat up until she was standing on her hind feet. Greenwell says the cat is thriving on her diet.

## Christmas Cheer to 140 Families from Goodfellows

Members of Dixon chapter, Order of DeMolay assembled at the Elks club house this morning at 8:30 o'clock and started delivering boxes of food, clothing and toys to 140 Dixon families, assisting the Goodfellow organization in the completion of their holiday program. Before noon reports indicated that no less than 450 individuals will be taken care of through this fine medium of community assistance.

For days the corps of efficient workers, who have carried on for the past few seasons, have been assembling the supplies and boxing them for delivery. Assistant Fire Chief Albert Fordyce routed the deliveries from the Elks club throughout the forenoon. A large truck donated by Manager Ballard of the Rock Island Transfer company, was delivering the bulk of the Christmas boxes while cars donated and driven by means of the DeMolay chapter were expediting the individual delivery.

While the finances subscribed this season have fallen far short of previous years, individual citizens and organizations have cooperated with the Goodfellow program in providing a happy Christmas for scores of families. One individual provided complete Christmas dinners for eight large families. Dixon chapter, No. 1, of the Chiopractic Crusaders not only provided holiday dinners for 20 families but furnished needed clothing and toys.

Several donations of canned foods were taken to the Elks for distribution in the boxes. Requests for assistance continued to be received until noon today and were being supplied.

While the cash donations fell below the \$1,000 mark, the Goodfellows responded to every request which was received. Donations of money will be received until the first of the new year and it is hoped that the sum will go over the \$1,000 mark, as the demand for assistance will require this sum in providing warm clothing for children before school is resumed after the holidays.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce dancing party at the Masonic temple tomorrow night, to which everyone is welcome, is expected to swell the fund considerably.

## Gov. Stelle Pardons Five 'DuQuoin Boys'

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Governor John Stelle today granted Christmas Eve pardons to the five "DuQuoin Boys".

The pardons cancelled life terms for four of the youths and a 40-year sentence of the fifth, meted to them in 1933 after the rowdyism slaying of La Vern Miller, a 14-year-old miner's daughter, during inter-union mine strife in the Illinois coal fields.

The governor's pardons will permit the five to spend Christmas day at their homes.

## Sign of Spring

Chardon, Ohio, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Prolonged warm weather has started maple sap running in this district, the capital of Ohio's "sugar bush" industry.

Carl E. Wicks has tapped 100 trees on his farm on route 87 at nearby Burton and reports plenty of sap for fresh maple syrup and candy for Christmas.

Syrup farmers usually tap trees in February or March.

## Pope Says 'New World Order' Should Have Base on Five Moral Victories

Vatican City, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Pope Pius XII told the College of Cardinals today that the "new world order" proposed by warring nations should be based on five moral victories.

These victories, he said, were:  
1. Over hatred.  
2. Over mistrust. Here the pontiff called for "return to that fidelity in observance of pacts without which pure neighborliness of peoples and particularly the co-existence of powerful and weak peoples could not possibly succeed."  
3. Over the idea that "might makes right."  
4. Over economic maladjustment.  
5. Over "the spirit of cold egotism which, fearless in its might, easily leads to violation not only of honor and sovereignty

## NO YULE TRUCE BUT CHRISTMAS SPIRIT SURVIVES

### Europeans Have Usual Carol Singing and Gift Exchanges

By The Associated Press

There were blackouts and debris, the roar of guns and the scream of air raid warnings but Europe's warring nations also have for their Christmas the traditional decorations, the carol singing and exchanges of gifts.

Pope Pius' plea for a Christmas truce was rejected and there was no sign of one on any front.

Greek forces battled Italians in Albania in bitter winter weather. In Libya, British forces pushed ahead in desert sands against Premier Mussolini's North African army.

But through it all the spirit of Christmas marches on.

From besieged Britain King George VI tomorrow will broad-

#### London's Challenge

London, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The following sign was displayed widely in downtown London on this Christmas Eve:  
"Christmas is 1940 years old and Hitler is only 51. He can't spoil our Christmas".

cast his usual Christmas message to his empire. Descriptions of the wartime scene in the dominions will make up part of the program.

#### Germans to Dance

High prices curtailed greenery displays in Germany, but dancing was permitted during the holiday season. Children were to receive candy, nuts and honey.

Adolf Hitler spent last Christmas with his troops in the front lines on the western front but it was not disclosed where he would spend the day this year.

British children spending the holidays in Canada were assured of mass parties, of distributions of toys by the government and of chances for a few lucky ones to talk to their parents in the British isles by radio.

In the British homeland itself thousands of British children were far from home—removed from populous centers to "safer" areas.

#### No Decorating Outside

For them the usual concerts and presentation of toys and sweets had been arranged.

British blackout regulations banned outside Yuletide decorations. Christmas trees were scarce. Toy sales had been curtailed, printing of Christmas cards had been reduced to conserve paper but, as one government official put it:

"Every effort is being made to make Christmas as bright and cheery as humanly possible under the circumstances."

The Greeks will observe their Christmas two weeks hence.

Blackouts and sharp food restrictions curtailed some of the seasonal joy in Rome.

## 204 Get Paroles From Prisons of Illinois

Huntington, Ind., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Clare W. H. Bangs, militant former mayor of Huntington who waged a bitter, losing legal battle to establish a municipal utility, was free at last today after spending 633 days in jail.

Bangs came home for a Christmas celebration with his wife and children, his petition for release from the Allen county jail having been granted yesterday by Circuit Judge Harry Hulgemann in Fort Wayne.

"The law has been satisfied," the court remarked. That ended the last and longest—306 days—of his three terms for contempt of court which were imposed for violations and restraining orders obtained by the Northern Indiana Power Company.

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## The Night Before Christmas



## The Leaven of Christmas

"I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people."

In such words the angel reassured the trembling shepherds, that night in Judea so long ago when they were overcome by the glory of the holy night.

"On earth peace, good will toward men."

To untold millions across the world today those words must have a hollow and miserable ring. On earth peace—when there is no peace? Good will toward men—when men are killing and bombing and maiming?

Where is the good will, where the peace? Have men made a mockery of this promise, which came to them from a more-than earthly source so many years ago?

Blame the men, then, not the promise. For the earth is good, and productive, and splendid for men to live upon. Peace has been offered them; peace they could have, for the taking. But they would not have it. Good will toward men is nullified if there is no good will among men, and between men.

## Utility-Fighting Mayor Is Released from Indiana Jail

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## Terse News

### No Paper Christmas—

In industry with all other business in common in Dixon which will observe Christmas as a complete holiday, there will be no edition of The Telegraph tomorrow.

### Licensed to Wed Here—

A marriage license has been issued by County Clerk Sterling Schrock to Kenneth L. Reese and Miss Dolores L. Wescott, both of Dixon.

### Surveying New Game Refuge—

A force of engineers from the state department of conservation at Springfield, have begun a general survey of the new state game refuge in the southwest section of Lee county.

### Minor Traffic Accident—

Cars driven by John Senger of Franklin Grove and Lee Fuqua of (Continued on Page 6)

## The Weather

TUESDAY, DEC. 24, 1940

(By The Associated Press)

Chicago and vicinity: Fair to night and Wednesday, continued m. Dec. 25 (Central Standard Time).

Upper Mississippi Valley: Temperature will average below normal Minnesota and Iowa and near normal Illinois and Wisconsin. Continued mild Wednesday and Thursday, colder Friday and Saturday. Precipitation below average, occurring latter part of period as light rain southern Illinois and light rain changing to snow elsewhere.

#### LOCAL WEATHER

For the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m. Monday: maximum temperature 40, minimum 32; cloudy.

Sun rises Wednesday at 7:22; Thursday at 7:23; sets Wednesday at 4:38, Thursday at 4:39.

## Christmas Attempt at Invasion by Nazi Army Contemplated in London

### The War Today!

BY DEWITT MACKENZIE

There is interesting coincidence in British Premier Churchill's appeal to the Italian king-emperor and people to throw Mussolini overboard, and in the simultaneous return of Captain Anthony Eden to Britain's foreign secretaryship, which he abandoned in 1938 because he couldn't go along with Prime Minister Chamberlain's policy of appeasing the dictators.

I don't suggest that Eden was the author of this historic attempt to persuade the Italians to revolt (an effort described by official Rome today as "a puerile propaganda maneuver"), though it wouldn't be surprising to learn that in truth he was. The feud that existed between the fascist head of state and Eden as foreign secretary was so bitter as to have few parallels in the history of diplomacy.

Indeed, Eden resigned his great post because he refused to compromise with Il Duce on a settlement of the Anglo-Italian dispute over the Mediterranean. The next day the captain "explained to a sympathetic and cheering House of Commons that he quit rather than deal with Italy in the face of Mussolini's propaganda against Britain, and 'glorification' of Italian victories in Spain."

"Agreements that are worth while," he exclaimed, "are never made on the basis of threats."

Later Eden went up and down the land like a prophet of old, crying "stand up to the dictators!" Came the war and he unfurled his standard:

"There can be no peace until nazism is x x x banished from the earth."

Now he is back in his old position—the most important in Britain next to the premiership—and it's easy to believe that there are jobs he would dislike more than that of helping out Mussolini. Certain it is that Eden's recall represents a reaffirmation of Britain's determination to fight the Hitler-Mussolini partnership to the bitter end.

However, there are other vital tasks for Eden to perform as he matches wits with the enemy to hold Britain's friends and win fresh support for her. Among other things it is believed he may make a fresh effort to bring Russia into the allied fold—an achievement which might be expected to tip the scales of war heavily in Anglo-allied favor.

The anxious efforts of the British to win the soviet over haven't progressed smoothly. Some observers believe this was due in part to a lack of mutual amity between the London foreign office and the Kremlin. Lord Halifax, who is leaving the foreign secretaryship to become ambassador, is said to have been out of tune with the bolsheviks.

Captain Eden, however, is understood to rate well with the Muscovites. Back in 1935, before he became foreign secretary, he was sent to Moscow to confer with the then Foreign Commissar, Maxim Litvinov, on how peace could be preserved in face of "the Nazi menace."

This was at the time that Hitler was starting to rip up the treaty of Versailles and had declared his determination to rearm in defiance of the pact. Russia and Britain were among those countries which had signed the pact. Hitler was signing in a cooperative endeavor to force preservation of peace. Litvinov declared that "never since the World War have there been such misgivings for the fate of peace as now."

Eden appeared to have created a favorable impression in Moscow.

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### Remembers Vow

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Twenty-five years ago this Christmas George Cordes went hungry.

Five years later "he was able for the first time to keep a vow, made that day. He's kept it annually since—by feeding every needy person entering his restaurant on Christmas. Last year there were 285. He's ready for 550 tomorrow."

## Lieutenant Jesse Grissom to Head Highway Officers

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—A veteran of many years' experience in police work, 63-year-old Lieut. Jesse Grissom of Carmi will succeed Walter Williams as chief of the Illinois state highway police on January 1.

Gov. John Stele announced late yesterday he would appoint Grissom to the post from which Williams is resigning to become superintendent of guards at the new government munitions plant at Wilmington, Ill.

Grissom is a former sheriff and county treasurer of White county, and a former mayor and chief of police at Carmi, who joined the state police force as a sergeant in 1933. Later he was made a lieutenant and placed in charge of the Effingham district.

Long a southern Illinois "neighbor" and friend of Stelle, Grissom was recommended for the appointment by Williams who described him as a "fine gentleman and an excellent police officer."

Stelle, commenting on the appointment, said he didn't know how

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## Authorities Seek Clues in Theft of Safe Containing \$1,300 in Sterling

Whiteside county authorities today were searching for clues in the theft of a safe containing more than \$1,500 from the Tift billiard parlor and tavern, 305 First avenue, Sterling, presumably early Monday morning. The wrecked safe was found late Monday afternoon on a side road near Deer Grove thirteen miles south of Rock Falls.

William Tift, proprietor of the establishment, reported the safe had contained weekend receipts, a \$100 diamond ring and a revolver, but when found by a trapper on a dirt road about 75 feet east of state highway 88 it contained nothing of value. The combination dial had been chiseled off and business papers were found scattered in the mud around the safe.

deputy sheriffs reported. According to police, thieves probably entered the building after breaking a rear window, which faces an alley and carried the safe out the back door, which had been opened from the inside. Because there were no wheel marks on the floor to indicate the safe had been rolled out of the store, police believe the burglary was the work of a gang, as it would require several men to carry the safe from the building.

Douglas Tift, son of the proprietor, discovered the robbery when he opened the place for business about 7:30 o'clock Monday morning. He told police that he entered the store about midnight Sunday on an errand, but did not notice anything missing.

## Activities on Coast of Channel Cause of Speculation

By The Associated Press

Field Marshal General Walther von Brauchitsch, commander-in-chief of the German army, told German's armed forces today that he knew they were "just burning up with desire at last to meet the English".

As he spoke, in a radio broadcast from a Nazi long-range gun emplacement on the English channel coast, London was alive with speculation that Adolf Hitler might be planning a Christmas attempt to invade England.

"I know you are merely awaiting the fuhrer's command," von Brauchitsch declared.

Only a few hours earlier, in a pre-dawn raid, British warplanes had battered anew at Nazi "invasion" ports across the channel, and Berlin had served notice of "no truce" with Britain over the Yuletide holiday.

Increased activity on the German-held channel coast was reported in London.

"The ocean can protect England only so long as it suits us," von Brauchitsch said, adding that he had visited all sections of the German army in recent days and convinced himself of "the excellent spirit and ever-growing strength of our army".

#### Appeal Ridiculed

Both Rome and Berlin officially ridiculed Prime Minister Churchill's broadcast appeal yesterday to King Vittorio Emanuele and the Italian people to turn against Mussolini and the German alliance.

Premier Mussolini's government flatly rejected the plea, declaring: "Italy will continue the war on all fronts until victory."

In the 16-day-old battle of North Africa, the 20,000 Italians trapped in the siege-bound desert post at Bardia, Libya, were reported facing a serious water shortage as British artillery bombarded the town for the eighth straight day.

England's big industrial city of Manchester suffered another tempestuous night of bombing, in which a number of persons were killed and wounded.

A hospital, two shelters, shops, houses and commercial buildings were reported destroyed or damaged. Seven bodies were pulled from a bomb-demolished tavern, and rescue squads attempted to reach others believed trapped by heavy beams. One bomb smashed directly in the middle of the tavern.

#### Snow Over Dover

Snow fell over the Strait of Dover—the so-called "invasion gateway"—serving as a cloak for any possible cross-channel thrust. In its assault on ports where Hitler might be massing a new invasion armada, R. A. F. bombers raided Boulogne and Dunkerque, France, and Ostend, Belgium, while other British airmen ranged farther afield into Germany to pound the Mannheim-Ludwigshafen area in the industrial Rhineland—the ninth attack there in less than two weeks.

Hitler's high command said "large" German plane formations "again successfully" attacked Manchester and London, setting "several large and many small fires."

The Nazi high command also reported that German speedboats "again" captured along Britain's east coast, sinking a 10,000-ton tanker and 6000-ton freighter "despite strong protection" by six British destroyers.

#### Report Sea Attacks

After a brief skirmish, the Nazis said, the German speedboats returned to their bases unharmed.

The British Admiralty meanwhile announced that British naval planes attacked the harbor of Tripoli, in Italian Libya, and sank two fascist merchant ships in a torpedo attack on a convoy.

Greek dispatches from the Balkan warfare said Greece's victorious troops were pushing farther north along the Aegean sea coast beyond the captured Italian port of Chimaera, with the retreating fascists striving to form defenses at Logara Pass, midway between Chimaera and Valona.

The Italians' retreat was described as hurried and disorderly, with only a rear-guard opposing the Greeks.

By contrast, the fascist high command asserted that Greek attacks were thrown back with heavy losses, and that prisoners, machine-guns and "many rifles" were captured by the Italians.

King Vittorio Emanuele, in a Christmas message to Italy's allies, declared that "no obstacle and no difficulty can halt the glorious ascension of Italy."

## Billy Hill, Well Known Song Writer, Stricken

Boston, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Billy Hill, 42, New York and his Hollywood song writer, whose best known work probably was his "Last Roundup," was found dead today in a hotel room. Dr. Herman Schwartz said he died of natural causes.

Songs written by Hill included "The Old Spinning Wheel," "They Cut Down the Old Pine Tree," "Rain," "Wagon Wheels," "Lights Out," "Old Man of the Mountain" and "In a Chapel in the Moonlight."



# Of Interest to Farmers

## Weekly Commodity Review

Courtesy of Wayne Hummer & Co. of Chicago

**Corn**  
This market scored a rather sharp reversal from a decline at the start of the week, finishing at a fair advance as compared with last Friday. The country apparently remains in complete control, ignoring bearish statistics and speculative indifference. Receipts increase slightly on hard spots, but dry up sharply on breaks and in consequence cash premiums have been maintained. There have been a few deliveries on December contracts, but a good sized open interest remains to be liquidated. Total holdings on November 1st, as reported by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, 3,135 million bushels, showed a reduction of 67 million bushels as compared with last year but this is offset by a decline of about 5 million less grain consuming animals on farms January first, than there were a year ago. The government crop estimate, although showing an increase of 11 million bushels as compared with last month, was considered as a standoff.

**Oats**  
Refusal of farmers to sell throughout the usual period of heavy movement, resulted in an acute situation in the cash market, and shorts in December contracts were forced to bid prices up well above the 40 cent level. The deferred futures held about steady within a narrow range. The strong cash premiums have attracted some increase in receipts but the cash market has held firm, 2 Whites being quoted 1 to 1 1/2 cents over December at the close Friday. The government report again increased the total yield which was given as 1,235 million bushels compared with 936 million bushels a year ago. Yields broke all records through the central states, Illinois with an average of 48 bushels, being the largest ever reported for any of the corn belt states.

**Soy Beans**  
A further sharp decline occurred during the early part of the week but selling appeared to spend its force on Tuesday, and prices rallied sharply. Receipts have fallen off, following heavy arrivals at the beginning of the week. Cash prices and premiums have held firm, and shipments have shown a substantial increase. The government report showed comparatively little change from the November figures, but revised last year's crop upward by nearly 4 million bushels, which suggested that consumption had been heavier than previously estimated, or that reserves were larger. The visible supply showed a slight decrease and the total is only 1,106,000 bushels as compared with 6,181,000 bushels last year.

**Lard**  
Liquidation of January contracts caused sufficient weakness to influence heavy selling of deferred futures as well, and although cash handlers and packing interests absorbed the offerings, prices declined to new low levels for any future since March, 1933, both December and January touching 4.05. Reports of heavy sales to soap makers, and an increase in local stocks only about half as large as a year ago in face of much heavier slaughterings, checked the declining tendency and the market rallied strongly toward the close of the week. There was a noticeable increase in outside interests following a statement by the Department of Agriculture to the effect that supplies of slaughter hogs during the later water and spring would be smaller than last year. Also that because of increased industrial activity, an improved consumptive demand for meats would result in substantially higher prices. Hog receipts at western points are still substantially in excess of last year but of much lighter weight, and prices held firm, tops around 6.55, and averages 6.10. Cotton seed oil again failed to fully reflect the early weakness in lard, but also failed to respond to the later upturn. The extreme discount under all other fats, including inedible greases, attract-

ed a demand from soap makers, purchases being estimated as high as 6 million pounds. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics also stated that prospects are for a much smaller spring pig crop, unless conditions and price relationship changes greatly in the near future.

**Butter and Eggs**  
Following a sudden reversal in sentiment, butter futures declined abruptly, losing all of the advance of the past five weeks, and closing at the low point. While the change in weather conditions really started the selling movement, the market was also influenced by reports of consumer resistance to current price levels. Production showed an increase of 1.4 percent over the preceding week and 4.2 percent as compared with last year. Cash houses were heavy sellers of futures during the latter part of the week, reflecting continued poor demand and weakness in the spot market. Movement out of ten markets totaled 2,353,000 pounds, compared with 2,393,000 pounds a year ago. Milk production per cow in the United States on December first, and the production per capita, were also the largest for the past six years. An abundant supply of feed appears likely to encourage farmers to maintain milk production at above average levels.

**Egg** futures largely duplicated the action of butter, declining nearly 2 1/2 cents from the high point of the movement. The favorable turn in the weather was an important factor and was probably responsible for a marked falling off in the demand for refrigerator stocks. Liquidation of speculative holdings followed the government statement that production in November was the highest ever reported for that month. Collections at mid-west points showed an increase of 12.22 percent for the week, but were 34.12 percent smaller than last year.

## Approve 2 Tenant Purchase Loans for Lee County

Two loans for the purchase of farms under the Tenant Purchase program have just been approved, it was announced at the Farm Security Administration office in the Ogle county court house at Oregon today.

The first two tenants who received approval are: John Heng, Chana, and Harold E. Pyper, Leaf River.

It is anticipated that three more tenants will receive approval of loans within a few days.

Those farm families who are being selected agree to follow sound farm and home management practices and even though the loans are for forty years at three per cent, it is expected that many will be repaid in a shorter period.

## Ogle County Soil Group To Hold Annual Meeting

Ogle County Soil Conservation association will hold its annual business meeting for reports and election of directors at the Oregon coliseum on Monday, January 13 beginning at 10:00 a. m. and with lunch at noon.

Present officers of the association are: Joe Brooks, Forrester, president; F. F. Coffman, German Valley, vice president; Ed L. Stengel, Mt. Morris, secretary and Everett Johnson, Oregon and Robert Buford, Oregon, members of the executive committee.

The association was organized to cooperate with the Federal Soil Conservation service and the CCC camp to sponsor demonstration work in the county on farm practices for erosion control and maintenance of soil fertility. The as-

## D. H. S. Chapter



### My PROJECT STORY

By Warren Thomas  
In my second year of agriculture in high school, I decided to have corn for my project. I rented nine acres from my father for \$7 an acre.

I started plowing May 8. My brother and I plowed 10 hours each I disced and dragged it myself. The corn was planted May 13. I hired it planted because I did not have the equipment. When the corn came up, I was busy with other work; therefore I didn't have time to cultivate it so I hired that done, also.

When it was almost ready to pick, I cut 16 rows for the cows and fenced off about one quarter acre for a run for the turkeys. There were eight acres of corn picked. It averaged 50 bushels per acre. I hired a corn picker, but I hauled the corn to the crib myself.

My labor cost was high because I hired the planting, cultivating, and harvesting done. My total labor cost was \$127.00; my total income was \$225.50, leaving a profit of \$98.00. It cost me about 29c per bushel to raise corn.

### ROBBINS HERD LEADS COUNTY DAIRY REPORT

A herd of 4 grade Holstein cows owned by Forrest Robbins led the Lee County Dairy Herd Improvement association for November with an average of 1313 pounds of milk and 48.9 pounds of fat on 2 times-a-day milking. None of the four cows on test was dry. A herd of 8 grade and purebred Holstein cows owned by Paul Swanlund was second with an average of 858 pounds of milk and 39.8 pounds of fat on 2 times-a-day milking. One of the 8 cows on test was dry. A herd of 34 purebred Holstein cows owned by Rockyford Dairy, with an average of 1035 pounds of milk and a herd of 35 mixed cows owned by C. L. Bothe, with 894 pounds of milk tied for third and fourth places with 39.0 pounds of fat. One cow dry in the Rockyford Dairy herd and 4 cows dry in the Bothe herd. A herd of 12 grade Holstein cows owned by Edgar Truckenbrod was fifth with an average production of 951 pounds of milk and 35.0 pounds of fat on 2 times-a-day milking. One of the 12 cows on test was dry.

The association average for the month was 720 pounds of milk and 27.2 pounds of fat with 512 cows on test from 28 herds; 81 of the 512 cows on test were dry; 125 cows each produced over 40 pounds of milk.

Ten high cows:  
Robert Mullins, owner, grade Jersey breed, 1260 pounds milk, 79.4 pounds fat.

C. L. Bothe, owner, purebred Holstein breed, 1590 pounds milk, 73.1 pounds fat.

Roi Degner, owner, purebred Holstein breed, 1836 pounds milk, 69.8 pounds fat.

Paul Swanlund, owner, grade Holstein breed, 1563 pounds milk, 67.2 pounds fat.

C. L. Bothe, owner, grade Brown Swiss breed, 1275 pounds milk, 66.3 pounds fat.

C. L. Bothe, owner, grade Holstein breed, 1542 pounds milk, 63.2 pounds fat.

Rockyford Dairy, owner, purebred Holstein breed, 1617 pounds milk, 63.1 pounds fat.

Roi Degner, owner, purebred Holstein breed, 1644 pounds milk, 62.5 pounds fat.

Pitzer & Kerr, owners, grade Gurnsey breed, 1323 pounds milk, 62.3 pounds fat.

—James Colgan, Tester.

The earwig is a harmless beetle-like insect. At one time, it was supposed to creep into the human ear, hence its name.

The redwood of the coast is a big tree, but not "the big tree." The "big tree" is red, but not a redwood.

The association cooperates with the Farm Bureau in a soil conservation program for Ogle county.

## Missouri Farmer Claims Educated Palates for Cows

Golden City, Mo.—E. M. Poirat has a herd of cows with educated palates.

These bovine connoisseurs can tell the difference between pasture that has been lightly or heavily fertilized. They express their preference by grazing almost exclusively on land that has had an extra application of fertilizer.

How the cows make their choice was explained by John Burk, County Agent of Johnson county.

"Last fall Mr. Poirat drilled his barley with an application of 100 pounds per acre of fertilizer," said Mr. Burk. "This operation was carried on by drilling in 'lands' so that the corners of the field were left rounded and partly undrilled during the main operation."

"In order to fill out these corners, a few trips were made from the corners diagonally out into the field. Thus part of the field was given a double treatment of fertilizer. In one other area, a very heavy fertilizer application resulted when a fertilizer gate remained open on the drill."

"This spring when the barley field was pastured Poirat's cows immediately grazed the areas given the heavier application of 200 pounds of superphosphate per acre. They likewise singled out the one drill row in the main part of the field given extra heavy treatment by the open gate on the fertilizer drill. They moved over to that part of the field given 100 pounds of fertilizer per acre only when the more succulent pasture had been eaten down."

"Unquestionably the animals recognized good soil treatment by the superior quality of the grain produced on the areas that had received the heavier treatments of fertilizer."

The advantages of soil improvement not only on pastures but on every crop a farm produces were emphasized by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

## CCC CAMP STARTS LARGE LIMESTONE PROJECT FOR FARMS

A total of 4,500 tons of limestone are to be crushed this winter by Camp Oregon, SCS-111-8, according to Harlow J. Hodgson, junior agronomist. This limestone will be produced by the camp in accordance with an agreement with the Ogle County Soil Conservation Association, and will be distributed among 22 members of the association who have Co-operative Soil Conservation Agreements with Camp Oregon.

This amount of limestone is sufficient to cover 1,500 acres at the rate of 3 tons per acre.

Liming is necessary on many farms in Ogle County before legumes can be successfully grown. The application of this line will enable farmers to use good crop rotations and to produce a large quantity of good quality roughage which is needed on the farms. In achieving the above accomplishments, a large percentage of the soil erosion, which is occurring every year on Ogle county farms, can be prevented.

The ex-Kaiser, when writing to his brother, Prince Henry of Prussia, in 1897, first used the famous phrase, "the mailed fist".

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## FRANK PRIEBE'S WEEKLY LETTER to POULTRY RAISERS

Buyers are asking for broad-breasted turkeys—and often paying a premium to get them. That's something to remember when it's time to get your poults next spring.

If you're going to raise turkeys, raise the kind of turkeys people want.

Once they have seen broad-breasted turkeys, they don't seem to be satisfied with ordinary ones. And you can't blame them. Who wouldn't prefer a turkey from which you can get almost twice as many slices of white meat?

These turkeys were first developed by a group of growers in the Northwest, who decided that, since people bought turkeys to eat, producers would be smart to pay more attention to meat than to weathers. In 1939 they got from a turkey grower in British Columbia a lot of breeding toms from a strain of turkeys that had been bred by his family in England. These toms crossed with good native hens produced what we now know as Broad-Breasted Bronze turkeys.

They are not "recognized." I understand, among the standard breeds of turkeys. But what does that matter when buyers, with money in their pockets, recognize their quality and are willing to pay for it?

**Buyers Must Be Considered**  
We have to remember that if

producers in the middle west don't give buyers the kind of turkeys they want, producers in other sections will.

We had a good illustration this year of what that means.

A New York buyer who had turkeys from all over the country told me at Thanksgiving that second grade turkeys from the middle west, as top grade birds. I don't think you'll like to hear that any better than I did. But there is no use getting mad at the buyer. He's willing to buy middle western turkeys, but he doesn't have to — and won't, unless we give him just as good birds as he can get from other parts of the country.

Northwestern turkeys brought more than ours. And in some cases turkeys from New England, Maryland, and Virginia brought as much as 10 cents a pound more than Northwestern birds.

A turkey man in North Dakota recognizes the seriousness of the situation.

"Our turkeys are just as good eating as those eastern turkeys," he told growers in his territory. "In fact, I think they're better because we have the ideal climate and the right grains to produce firm, tender meat that's got some flavor to it. But we've let them get way ahead of us on appearance and it's because of their appearance that eastern turkeys are outselling ours. We have got to realize that we can't market half-finished, half-grown, rough-looking birds and expect people to pay us a good price for them, because they won't do it."

Decide right now to raise broad-breasted turkeys next year and, if you want to sell them for

Thanksgiving, start them early enough so they'll be finished by that time — or keep them until Christmas. If we keep on shipping unfinished birds, we'll kill the market for middle western turkeys.

It's up to the turkey growers. What will you do about it?  
Sincerely yours,

Frank Priebe  
(Copyright, December 26, 1940.  
FRANK PRIEBE,  
110 North Franklin, Chicago)

## Mt. Morris Country Youth Club to Present Numbers In State Finals Soon

Having been given an "A" rating in the Ogle county music and drama tryout at Oregon, the Mt. Morris Country Youth Club drama group and the Pine Creek male quartette plan to attend Farm and Home Week at the University of Illinois on the week of January 6 and present their drama and music numbers in the tryout for state finals.

The Mt. Morris club consisting of Lorraine Stull, Myron Stengel, Virginia Rowe, Audrey Estes, Arlene Zundahl, James Baker and Harlan Blake played "Criss-Cross." The members of the quartette were Fay Barnhart, 1st tenor; Powell Cunningham, 2nd tenor; Adelbert Stiller, baritone and Oscar Wragg, bass with Mrs. Fay Barnhart as accompanist.

Other groups participating in the county tryout were a ladies trio from Lindenwood community including Mrs. Kenneth Clark, Miss Margaret Knight and Mrs. Claude Holmes and a drama group

from the Polo Rural Youth Club consisting of Fred Jecklin, Carl Stoner, Paul Webster, Gavin Cross, Carol Baker, Alta Russell, Norma Hammer and Ellen Webster presenting the play "Five for Bad Luck."

The judges in the county tryout were Mr. F. H. Heeren of the University of Illinois School of Music and Professor O'Connell of the Northern Illinois State Teachers College Dramatic Department. D. E. Warren, Farm Adviser, said that the quality of the productions in the Ogle county tryout averaged higher than in any previous year which indicates the success of the project in developing music and dramatic talent in the communities participating.

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# Holiday Travelers Claim Center of Social Happenings

## Family Circles Unite In Holiday Observance

Glowing Heartthsides and Sparkling Trees Attract Townspeople and Their Guests

Holiday guests have been arriving on every train and speeding down highways from every direction for the past few days to be with Dixon family circles tomorrow, and enjoy Christmas by gaily-bedecked trees and glowing heartthsides. Not all the Christmas dinner parties of interest to Dixonites have been held here, however, for while throngs of visitors have been coming to town, many Dixon folk have been traveling to other cities for holiday reunions.

Bright wrapping material will be scattered heater-skelter tonight in those homes where tradition says that Christmas Eve is the time for gifts. Many family groups have planned to attend Christmas Eve services which several Dixon churches will hold, and others will be present for special services scheduled for Christmas morning itself.

Miss Margaret Davies, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Davies, and her fiancé, Donald McMahon, will be special guests when the Miller and Davies families gather for Christmas dinner at the home of Mrs. C. A. Todd. Others in the party will be Margaret's parents and her sister, Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Miller and their daughters Louise and Barbara. Both Elizabeth and Louise are at home from the University of Wisconsin.

The McMahon-Davies wedding is to be solemnized Thursday in a simple nuptial service at the home of the bride's parents at 606 Hennepin avenue.

At "Reynoldswood Farm" this holiday time, Mrs. John G. Ralston is entertaining her two daughters, Joan and Lucile, who are at home from Ethel Walker school in Sinsbury, Conn., and her niece, Miss Polly Harvey of New York City. Her nephew, Douglas Harvey, Jr., a student at St. George's school in Newport, will be arriving in Dixon on Thursday, to visit at "Reynoldswood" until Jan. 6 or 7.

Little Linda Newcomer of Chicago, infant daughter of the Paul Newcomers, will be spending her first Christmas day with her paternal grandparents, the F. X. Newcomers. Others in the Newcomer party will include Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Rogers of this city, and Miss Mary Davies of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Rogers of Chicago expect to spend the New Year holiday in Dixon, but will remain in the city tomorrow with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beach, parents of Mrs. Rogers. Ayres Davies, who attends Beloit college in Beloit, Wis., left Sunday for Palm Beach, Fla. for a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Davies.

Dr. and Mrs. Z. W. Moss have been invited to the home of her brother-in-law and sister, the John Stagers of Sterling, for Christmas dinner. Others in the party at "Larchwood" will be Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cecil of Glencoe.

In keeping with a holiday custom of 38 years standing, Dr. Moss will be receiving friends for egg-noggs between 10 and 12 o'clock on Christmas morning at the Moss home, "Whitthorne."

The Sullivan and Murphy families will be wishing each other a

## Evergreen School Presents Program

Students of the Evergreen school presented a Christmas program Monday afternoon under the direction of their teacher, Miss Mary Wolf, and their music supervisor, Mrs. I. B. Potter. The numbers included:

Song, "Gather Around the Christmas Tree," the school; "A Welcome," Rita Hoyle; "A Suggestion," Sharon Jones; recitation, Jimmy and Johnny Partington; son, "In a Lowly Manger," upper grades; exercise, "Preparing for Christmas," John Duffy, Joe Mills, Richard Jacobs, Ruth Mills, Tracie Jones and Marie Hoyle.

Songs, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," and "Up on the Housetop," recitations, Larry Cramer, Jimmy Jones and Burdell Wares; exercise, "Through a Christmas Garland," the school; recitations, Tracie Jones and Verna Mae Mills; "Christmas Candles," Marilyn Jones, Norma Jean Wares, Esther Cramer and Lila Lee Partington; piano solo, Mary Jane Cramer; tap dancing, Elnora Boethe.

Song, "Merry Christmas," lower grades; recitations, Darlene Duffy and Richard Jacobs; song, "Christmas Secrets," upper grades; "Let the Merry Bells Ring Out," Alvert Partington; playlet, "Uncle Grouch," Robert Jacobs, Ralph Mills, Mary Jane Cramer, and Alvera Partington; song, "Santa Claus," the school; "Announcing Santa," John Duffy.

## ANNOUNCE YULE SERVICE FOR THIS EVENING

A Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran church at 11 o'clock tonight. The service has been outlined as follows:

Lighting the candles; processional; invocation; Vespers; the Versicle, Psalm 93; Gloria Patri; girls chorus; "I Know, O Virgin Mary," "Joseph and the Shepherds" and "Here Is the Very Town," (three French carols arranged by Gaul), women's chorus; Scripture lesson; hymn; "Silent Night," Mrs. Carl Snavely and chorus; solo, "No Candle Was There" (Liza Lehman), Evelyn Worsley.

"Shepherds' Christmas Song" (Dickinson), Mrs. Hanson and chorus, flute obligato by Lloyd Warren Walter, Jr.; solo, "Stars All Dotted Over the Sky" (Sharpe), Jeanette Nettz; "Christmas talk," the pastor; prayer; offertory; "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night" (Harker), Mrs. Lepard and chorus, with obligato by Donald Kieffer, violinist, and Billy Haefliger, cellist; benediction; recessional.

## Wickert-Anning Bridal Is Read

Miss Ruth H. Anning, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anning of Dixon, became the bride of Merlin V. Wickert, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wickert, also of Dixon, Saturday noon in Clinton, Ia. The Rev. Mr. Clements performed the ceremony at the Methodist church.

Miss Vera Anning was her sister's maid of honor, and Miss Avis A. Adams was bridesmaid. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore azure blue, with dark blue accessories, accented by a shoulder corsage of camellias. Both the maid of honor and Miss Adams wore gold-colored dresses with black accessories.

A reception was held at the Ted Manges home in Sterling. Mrs. Manges is the bride's grandmother. Mrs. Edward Maynard of Chicago, an aunt of Miss Anning, baked the three-tier wedding cake.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Wickert formerly attended Dixon high school. The bridegroom is now with the Kennedy service station. They will reside at 812 First street.

Attending the nuptial ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wickert and son Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anning and Mr. and Mrs. Don Anning.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE  
Mrs. Harold Bruce was entertaining unexpected guests last evening, when 30 friends gathered at the Bruce home to celebrate her birthday anniversary. Games of 500 were played, with score favors given to Minnie Kurth, Elmer Golden, Florence Bruce, Fred Kurth, Mary Alice Greenfield, and Fred Kurth. A birthday lunch followed the games.

## Will Celebrate on Christmas Day



Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Riegle

The Riegles will be receiving friends and relatives tomorrow afternoon and evening at their home in Franklin Grove in celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mr. Riegle was employed at the I. B. Countryman grocery here at the time of the couple's marriage.

## Palmer School Gives Program

The following Christmas program was presented at the Palmer school Monday afternoon:

"Welcome," Bernice Gerdes; song, "We Welcome You," the school; "A Boy's Christmas Wish," James Carrington; "Santa Claus," Edward Ranken; "Bethlehem," Bernice Gerdes; "Getting Ready for School," Nadine Haefner and Bernard Gerdes; "Lullaby Song," Bernice Gerdes; "Handkerchief Jinx," Nadine Haefner.

"Poor Mother," Fay Haefner; "Away in a Manger," Bernice Gerdes, Bernadine Gerdes, and Fay Haefner; "Christmas Eve," Bernadine Gerdes; "Herb and Hank Fall Out," James Carrington, Bernard Gerdes, Bernadine Gerdes, and Bernice Gerdes; song, "Renfro Valley," Fay Haefner and Bernadine Gerdes.

"A Suspicious Charge," Bernard Gerdes; "Just a Little Boy," Edward Ranken; "A Real Friend," Bernice Gerdes; song, Reuben and Rachel, Melvin Haefner, Fay Haefner, Bernard Gerdes, and Bernadine Gerdes; "Christmas Advice," Melvin Haefner.

"Snow White Chimney," Bernice Gerdes; song, "Santa Claus Has Come to Town," the school; dialogues, "Managing a Husband," Fay Haefner, Donald Haefner, Melvin Haefner and Bernadine Gerdes; "God Bless America," the school; "Christmas Prayer," Bernice Gerdes; "Farewell," Bernadine Gerdes; distribution of Christmas gifts.

The entertainment was arranged by the teacher, Mrs. Margaret Blackburn.

Mr. T. M. Boyer is confined to her home by illness.

## Calendar

Tonight  
Eldena school—Will present Christmas program, 2:30 p. m.

Wednesday  
Junior Association of Commerce—Will sponsor dance at Brinton Memorial Masonic temple, for benefit of Goodfellows.

Thursday  
St. Agnes Guild—Christmas dance, Masonic temple.  
Children of Brethren Sunday school—Christmas party in church basement, 2-4 p. m.

## Franklin Grove Couple Are Wed Half a Century

Tomorrow, Christmas Day, will be a doubly-significant occasion for Mr. and Mrs. Willis L. Riegle of Franklin Grove, for they will be observing the year's most significant holiday with a celebration of their golden wedding anniversary. The Riegles, who are announcing an informal opening for both afternoon and evening, formerly resided in Dixon.

Miss Ruby Nichols, daughter of A. J. and Mary (Miller) Nichols, and Mr. Reigle, son of Singleton W. and Caroline (Hermann) Riegle, were married on Christmas evening, 1890, at the country home of the bridegroom's parents, three and a half miles southwest of Franklin Grove. About 50 guests, considered a large wedding party at that time, were present for the 7 o'clock ceremony.

The Rev. Mr. Norris, who was pastor of the Franklin Grove and Ashton Methodist churches, performed the nuptial service. The couple went to housekeeping in Dixon, where the bridegroom was employed as a clerk in the I. B. Countryman grocery.

After three years, the Riegles moved to the Norman Haugen farm, now occupied by George Sandrock, south of Franklin Grove. They later purchased a farm two miles southeast of Franklin Grove, where the John Herreras now reside and their next home was the John Mong tenant house east of town. Before moving to Franklin Grove ten years ago, they resided northwest of Franklin Grove on the farm which is now the home of George Schutz.

The couple have only one daughter, Miss Bertha, who is a junior high school teacher in Berwyn. Miss Riegle will be receiving with her parents tomorrow from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7 to 9 o'clock in the evening.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Riegle have long been active members of the Franklin Grove Presbyterian church. Mrs. Riegle has served as president of the Aid society for eight years or longer, teaches the Women's Bible class, and is also a past president of the Franklin Grove Woman's club. Her husband is senior elder of the church, having served for about 35 years.

On Sunday, the couple was

## Town Abounds in Gaieties With Holiday Time at Hand

Many a brand new Christmas evening bag, or gold sandals, or bit of twinkling jewelry will make its first public appearance during the next few evenings, when a series of festive parties will keep the dancing crowd in a constant whirl until 1941 is ushered in next Tuesday at midnight.

There may be a few elders who will prefer to relax in easy chairs on Christmas night—but the younger set will be holding forth at the Junior Chamber of Commerce dance at Brinton Memorial Masonic temple. In fact, there probably won't be much unoccupied floor space at the temple on two successive evenings this holiday week, as on Thursday night, St. Agnes Guild members of St. Luke's Episcopal church are to be hosting at their traditional post-Christmas dance.

## HOLIDAY DANCES

Wednesday, Dec. 25—Junior Chamber of Commerce dance, Masonic temple, 9:30 p. m.; Herbie Palmer's orchestra of DeKalb.

Thursday, Dec. 26—St. Agnes Guild dance, Masonic temple; Earl Betourne's band of Kankakee.

Saturday, Dec. 28—Dixon Country club dance, Masonic temple, 9:30 to 1 a. m.; Dee Palmer's orchestra.

Tuesday, Dec. 31—Dixon lodge, No. 779, B. P. O. E., New Year's Eve ball, Elks club.

honored with a congregational dinner and reception at the church. All of the Riegle's friends, whether or not they attended Sunday's celebration, are invited to call at the couple's home tomorrow.

Mr. Riegle has two sisters, Mrs. A. B. Martin of Milton, S. D. and Mrs. Stella Hersh of Lisbon, Iowa. Mrs. Hersh celebrated her eightieth birthday anniversary in September. Miss Maude Gitt and Wilbur Gitt of this city are cousins of Mr. Riegle.

## IN CALIFORNIA

Among Dixonites who will be found far from home on Christmas day is Mrs. L. N. Deutsch, who is now pleasantly situated for the winter at the New Carlton hotel in Los Angeles.

The Telegraph's Goodfellow club, whose reason for being is to bring holiday happiness to the less fortunate, will benefit from the Wednesday night dance. Herbie Palmer's 12-piece band from DeKalb will entertain from 9:30 to 1 a. m.

Mrs. Oliver Rogers heads the committee whose members have shared the responsibility for Thursday evening's dance-planning. Earl Betourne's orchestra will provide music for the partygoers.

Two evenings later, Saturday night to be exact, Dixon Country club members, their friends, and young collegians home for the holidays will be returning to the Masonic temple for the club's annual holiday dance. Dee Palmer's orchestra has been engaged to furnish rhythmic tempos for this gay event.

Members of Dixon lodge, No. 779, B. P. O. Elks, and invited guests will celebrate Dec. 31st in traditional fashion. They will be ringing out the old year and welcoming the new at a festive New Year's Eve dance at the clubhouse.

## ADDITIONAL SOCIETY PAGE 6

B. Stoltz is confined to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Hey, by illness.

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Now and then in the news columns one finds a bit of wisdom suitable for enrollment on the scroll of the ages.

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SERIAL STORY

CHRISTMAS RUSH

BY TOM HORNER

CHAPTER I

THE doctor hurried up the snow-covered walk. Across the street a lad of 10 shouted, "Hi ya, Doc!" and followed his greeting with a snowball. The doctor waved back, laughing as he ducked.

At the door he paused to wipe snow from a gold and black sign—"Dr. H. T. Connelly." He liked that sign, but Martha and the girls insisted it was an antique. It was out of date. He thought of the day when he had first hung it beside his door 23 years ago.

A wave of warm air, laden with mixed odors of burning logs and freshly baked pie, greeted him as he opened the door.

"Martha! Martha!" he shouted. "Thought you'd be ready."

"I am—almost," his wife's voice answered from upstairs. "It's only 4 o'clock, and the train doesn't get in until 5."

"Five—seven, to be exact," the doctor reminded her as he bustled out of his coat. Ponderous, smiling, black Cleo crowded her 200 pounds into the half doorway.

"How soon my babies coming home, Doctor Hugh?"

"Only an hour more, Cleo. Is everything ready?"

"Everything fine, Doctor Hugh. Don't you worry none about dinner. Just wait till Mr. Jerry sees that roast—"

"And pie, Cleo?"

The colored cook chuckled happily. "Yes, sir... apple pie and ice cream for Mister Jerry, coconut cream for Miss Sheila, and chocolate for Miss Kathleen—"

"No custard?"

"She shook her head. 'No custard. You been having custard pie four nights a week ever since September. Tonight I'm cooking for my babies!'"

Snatches of an old Negro spiritual came to him as she waddled back into the kitchen. Then Martha was beside him.

"You're early, darlin'." She reached up to kiss his cool cheek.

"Didn't expect you to be home until the last minute. . . . Hugh, you're cold. Come over here to this fire and get warm. What are you trying to do, catch pneumonia before the children come?"

"Now, Martha, I'm all right!"—he spread his hands before the blazing logs—"I've been making calls all afternoon; wanted to get finished so I could stay at home tonight. . . . This fire does feel good."

"How about a glass of wine before we go to the train? I'll get it. Cleo has her hands full with dinner."

He returned quickly with two glasses. "To a very Merry Christmas, Mrs. Connelly."

MARTHA smiled up at him, motioned him to the divan beside her.

"Won't it be wonderful, having all three of them home—with us—for two whole weeks? They've been gone so long." She found his hand, squeezed it tight.

"It will be great. You've missed them, and so have I. More than we've admitted. It's fine to see your youngsters off to school, to be able to give them a college education, but it has been lonesome without them."

"It wasn't so bad, when Jerry left, we still had the twins. But with them gone, too—" Tears clouded her soft brown eyes.

"None of that, Martha," the doctor cautioned. "Wouldn't do to let them know how much we miss them. Anyway, we've two weeks to enjoy them. Why it will seem like all the Christmases we've had together. Remember Jerry's first one?"

Martha Connelly smiled, staring into the fire. How could she forget—ever?

"You were so funny, Hugh," she smiled at the memory. "Decorating that gigantic tree for such a tiny baby. And wanting to buy him a hobby horse."

The doctor laughed. "He was



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pretty small for it. But he rode it until he was 6, and both the twins used it. Good old Dapple Gray. Whatever became of that hobby horse?"

"It's still in the attic."

"We'll get it down, put it under the tree tomorrow night. Jerry would get a kick out of that. Bet he's forgotten all about it."

Martha nodded, her mind on another Christmas. "We'll skip that next year—1918. You were in France, Hugh, and Jerry and I were alone."

"I'd just as soon forget that one, too. Never spent such a miserable day." . . . Say, if you think I was crazy about the hobby horse, how about the year you dressed four dolls for the twins?"

"That was fun. And they liked them—"

"But they liked Jerry's air rifle better."

"And that bad year, when you needed a new suit, but Jerry got an electric train instead. That was foolish, Hugh. But I loved you for it."

"Jerry had his heart set on that train. I got along all right with my old suit," the doctor defended. "And will you ever forget how devastated we felt when I tried to play Santa Claus and Jerry piped up with: 'That's not Santa Claus. That's my Dad. He smells like ether.'"

"We've had a world of happiness, Martha, in good times and bad. Now tomorrow— Say, did that tree come yet?"

"It's on the back porch, and it's tall enough to reach the ceiling. The ornaments are all in a box upstairs. Cleo wanted to trim it today, have it ready when the children got home, but I knew you'd never forgive me if I let her."

"You old out," the doctor laughed. "My old out, and Kathleen can fix it tomorrow. And there'll be stockings on the mantel, too. I found them downtown—one for each of us, even Cleo."

"Hers will have to be the biggest. She still chuckles over Jerry asking to borrow one of her stockings to hang up, because he thought he'd get more in it. He couldn't have been much more than 5 or 6."

"I wonder if Cleo will pull that 'Lardy, Doctor Hugh! It's five dollars!' again. She's been doing that for 20 years now, and it's just as funny as it was the first time. Someday I'm going to surprise her and only give her a dollar."

"You'd break her heart, Hugh."

"(To Be Continued)"



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Washington, Dec. 23 — Mr. Roosevelt is going to get the shock of his life when he finds what is happening to his promise to reduce the non-defense side of the budget.

When the interstate commerce commission appeared before a House appropriations subcommittee, its spokesman said: "You know we're supposed to see we have an efficient transportation system in the interest of national defense." He tried to justify appropriations which did not show the reduction that congressmen expected—and on the claim of defense.

Then the tariff commission came up. "You know," said its mouthpiece, "national defense has made it necessary for us to make many extra investigations and reports for defense authorities." The federal trade commission said about the same thing.

The legislators threw down their pruning pencils in disgust when even the national archives department reported additional duties due to defense.

They rolled over and died when the battle monuments commission reported 29 headstones were destroyed by bombs in France and must be replaced, so it must have more money.

All that is needed to bury them and Roosevelt's promise entirely is for the federal reeinder commission in Alaska to come in now and ask for more funds to feed his Santa Claus horsepower on the ground they had become morose from reading the war news and therefore the additional oats are a matter of national defense.

The inner toilers on defense—commissioners, officials, experts—seem rather generally agreed that Roosevelt's reorganization scheme is a step in the right direction. These men who should know best the intricate problem which has developed, think the new set-up will work if several follow-up steps are taken.

For one thing, it is now evident the so called "clearing" of contracts by Knudsen in the old defense commission was perfunctory, to say it the kindest way. He practically worked as a rubber stamp on the war and navy departments. As a result, the steel experts have discovered some plants are overloaded with orders, while others are not working at their capacity.

As a result there will have to be a reshuffling of contracts.

The unbalanced situation has developed in other industries than steel. Some symptoms have appeared in machine tools. Manufacturers who have been doing business with two or three machine tool companies have continued to pile in on these companies although they are overloaded the heaviest.

Success or failure of the new arrangement may depend largely on the kind of people Knudsen shifts into key positions. Knudsen is not to be the policy man. He is the dynamo. FDR is keeping the policy power. But Knudsen knows the mechanics of manufacturing as well as any person living. If he were a hundred Knudsens he could go into every plant in the country and put his own substantial shoulder on the wheel.

As it is, he will need as many forceful, experienced manufacturing experts as he can get to go out into the country and talk over technical problems on the job. There are far too many obscure deficiencies involved for the work to be handled from a desk in Washington.

His excellent assistant Mr. Biggers, is due to be shifted into head division of munitions production under the reorganization. The purchasing division is to be headed by capable Donald Nelson. It is generally believed Knudsen will go outside the organization for the man to head it.

The aircraft division has been functioning on some of its cylinders, part of the time. Only three or four officials were working full time at last accounts. It is due to be completely revised and strengthened.

The hopes which the plan holds out are obvious. The defense commission has been dissatisfied with army-navy procurement even though Knudsen did not feel empowered to refuse clearance to their contracts. Now, Knudsen, Stimson and Knox will be working in harmony and with power. The new organization is to be stripped for action—divested of all political trimmings like Harriet Elliott, etc.—to concentrate on the single headed problem.

The basic plan of this reorgan-

Dixon Crusaders  
Provide Baskets  
for 20 Families

About 450 guests assembled at the Moose hall Friday night for the annual Christmas party given by the Chiropractic Crusaders sponsored by Dr. Bend.

The entertainment consisted of Don Selover on the piano, a musical act by the Devine twins, Dr. E. G. Marty of Spring Valley with an entertaining travel movie interspersed with an explanatory lecture, and an acrobatic dance by Miss Arlene Bend.

Each guest was required to take a Christmas package for the poor and the gaily decorated tree was soon nearly hidden by these lavish gifts. Two orchestras furnished the music for dancing.

Refreshments were served at the intermission to all the guests assembled. At the close of the evening's entertainment after an enjoyable time the guests reluctantly went home tired, but with the satisfaction of a good deed well done.

Today a committee of women, including Mrs. Harry Millhouse, Mrs. Charles Rosebrook, Dr. Bernice M. Bend, Dr. H. K. Slaats, and Miss Alberta Kellen cooperating with Mrs. Lewis Leydig and Miss Esther Barton are busy distributing the lavish gifts of food and clothing to Dixon's needy Dr. Bend estimates that twenty families will be fully cared for.

Gov.-Elect Green  
for Legislative  
Probe of Relief

Chicago, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Gov. ernor-Elect Dwight H. Green announced Monday that he proposed to have a joint legislative investigation of relief in Illinois by the new General Assembly.

He told reporters at a press conference that he would ask for a joint House-Senate committee to conduct the investigation in such a manner that "all who have something to say regarding relief as it is being administered will have an opportunity to be heard."

"I propose to take any politics that may exist out of relief so that an efficient basis," he said. Green added that he was not saying now that there is politics in relief but "I have received complaints that there is."

Green said he wanted to make it possible for relief people to take jobs in private industry "and not have to go through any political setup or any great length of time to get back on relief if they lose such jobs."

To Hear Complaints

The primary purpose of the investigation, he explained, would be to provide an avenue by which people may be heard. He said the inquiry did not mean there would be a shakeup in the relief administration.

The Republican governor-elect said he was not prepared at this time to discuss the question of legislation—"a very controversial matter."

Concerning his proposal to exempt foods from the state sales tax, Green, a lawyer, said he was studying the legal questions involved but was not yet prepared to say what course he proposed to take to effect the exemption.

Discussing economy in government, he said he was anxious to eliminate as many unnecessary state jobs as possible and to that end had asked Republican county chairmen to survey their counties and "when they find useless jobs to co-operate by not asking us to fill them."

Helps Estranged Wife  
Wrap Christmas Gifts,  
Kills Her, Shoots Self

Kansas City, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A glittering Christmas tree prompted Owen T. Wakeman, 42, to end three weeks of estrangement from his wife, Almeda, 38.

Last night he left his rooming place across the street from his home to join her and their daughter, Pauline, 14, in wrapping Christmas packages. Another daughter, Patricia, 7, was asleep upstairs.

After the packages were placed under the tree, Wakeman started to leave, conversing quietly with his wife, who accompanied him to the door.

There, Pauline told Police Inspector Tom Farley, she heard her father say, "This is the end," saw him draw a revolver. As she fled she heard shots. Mrs. Wakeman was dead when police arrived. Wakeman's recovery, hospital attendants said, was doubtful.

ization originated with Stimson and Knox, so they should be able to work together with Knudsen on it. Roosevelt added the labor leader Sidney Hillman and some other ideas.

In fact, War Secretary Stimson apparently thought the president had approved their plan before he did. At the same time presidential press secretary Steve Early was explaining to newsmen that the Knudsen-Knox-Stimson board proposal was only one of four that the president was considering. Stimson was assuming in his press conference that the president already had announced the choice. The president did announce it about eight hours later.

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ESCAPED WRECK

Miss June Dicus, of Los Angeles, Calif., on her way here to spend her Christmas vacation with relatives, fortunately missed the Northwestern Streamliner which she had planned to take which was later wrecked in Colorado. She is expected to arrive in Rochelle Christmas morning in time for the family dinner which is being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dicus. Other guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Simon Carls and son, Mrs. Sarah Dicus, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Dicus, Mr. and Mrs. Will Carpenter and family and John Eckhart.

Firemen's Ball Committee

Dean Mutton, member of the Rochelle fire department and chairman of all arrangements for the 21st annual fireman's ball to be held in the Bain building hall on Saturday night, January 18, made known the committee to assist in staging this affair.

The committee announced by Mr. Mutton is the following: Music, Maley, DeCourcy and Pyatt; entertainment—Wheeler, S. Hamaker and Taylor; ticket sale, advertising and hall—Varner, Rice, Wheeler, Maxson, Mutton and Pyatt; checkrooms, Kuemmel, Peters, Woods and Harris; floor manager, Troop; ticket sales at door, R. A. Hamaker and Varner; taking tickets at door and refreshments—Vierke.

Tickets to the ball will go on sale January 1st, the price to be one dollar a couple.

Elizabeth A. Borden Estate

Will of Elizabeth A. Borden who died October 25, was recently admitted to probate in Ogle county. She left personal property valued at \$10,000 and real estate valued at \$23,000. She bequeathed \$100 to her son, George, and \$300 to trustees of Lawndale cemetery, Rochelle. She left all personal belongings to her daughter, Mrs. Jean Borden Stewart, and all other property in trust until she reaches the age of 35, after which all property will be in her daughter's name. Vernon Smith of Rochelle has been appointed trustee of the estate. Attorney Fred E. Gardner is executor.

If the daughter dies before the age of 35, all property is bequeathed to the Seaside Home for Crippled Children at Atlantic City. If the daughter dies leaving a child or children, one-half of the trust fund is bequeathed to the children and the remainder is left to the Seaside Home.

Masonic Lodge Elects

New officers of Horicon lodge, No. 244, A. F. and A. M. follow: Henry Lind, worshipful master; James Rice, senior warden; Norman Baader, junior warden; Karl Hackett, treasurer, and A. M. Peterson, secretary. Board members include R. Slowthower, A. M. Peterson, W. F. Hackett, J. M. Weeks and Floyd J. Tilt.

Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lawson of Ashton, Ill., are the parents of a daughter, born at Lincoln hospital, Dec. 16.

Auxiliary Sewing, January 14

A scramble luncheon and all-day carpet rag sewing is announced by the American Legion Auxiliary for Wednesday, January 14th. The group will meet at the home of Mrs. Warren Cronk.

Deaths

Local—

WILLIAM D. BAUM

William D. Baum, 81, for many years a successful and enterprising contractor in Dixon, of which he had been a resident for over fifty years, passed away at 7 o'clock Monday evening after an illness of seven weeks duration.

Funeral services will be held at the home at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon and at the Methodist church at 2:30. Dr. Floyd L. Blewfield, the pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood cemetery. Masonic lodges, of which Mr. Baum was a member, will provide an escort. Obituary will be published later.

Santa Carries Gun;  
Thinks It Good Idea

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 24.—(AP) Detective Sergeant Paul Bonham, playing Santa Claus at a Junior Chamber of Commerce children's party, forgot to take off his pistol and holster.

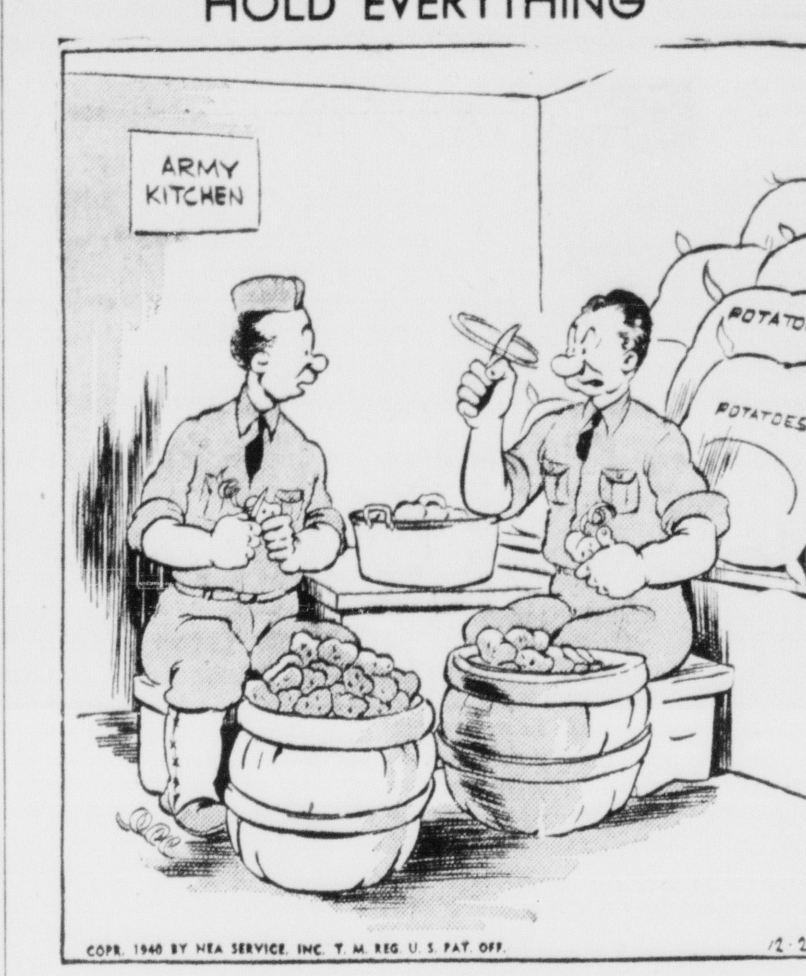
Leo Warren, assistant city attorney, spying them through his costume, said:

"Whoever heard of good old Santa Claus wearing a gun?"

"With the state the world's in now," said the sergeant, "maybe he'd better."

Church Societies

Christmas Party — Children of the Brethren Sunday school have been invited to attend a Christmas party from 2 to 4 p. m. Thursday in the church basement.



"If the enemy came into this kitchen right now, about all I'd know how to do would be to scalp 'em!"

Goodfellow Fund

Contributions to date:	
Sam Bacharach	\$10.00
American Legion Post No. 12	10.00
Frank H. Kreim	10.00
Dixon Musicians Protective Union, Local No. 625	10.00
C. B. Dolge Co.	1.45
Friend	1.00
Evening Telegraph	25.00
Arthur Hollender	3.00
Miss Bess Eells	5.00
Friend	10.00
Friend	1.00
Mr. M. M. S. N. Watson	10.00
Anna C. Mead	1.00
Edward J. Burke	5.00
Mrs. F. X. Newcomer	5.00
C. B. Fowler	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. George	5.00
St. Patrick's Catholic	5.00
Woman's Club	5.00
Henry M. Hey	5.00
Raymond and Nancy	2.00
Countryman	2.00
Service Club	10.00
J. D. Van Bibber	2.00
Robert L. Warner	10.00
Friend	2.00
Modern Woodmen of America	1.00
A. E. Taysman family	1.00
Ladies Aid Society	5.00
Paul's Lutheran Church	5.00
20th Century Literary Club	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Harridge	5.00
Mrs. Ellen Stewart	5.00
St. Agnes Guild of St. Luke's	5.00
Episcopal Church	10.00
Kline's Dept. Store	5.00
Nathan Kaiserman	5.00
Sinow & Wieman	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morris	10.00
Louis Pitcher	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Frank E.	5.00
Brown	5.00
Geo. E. Boynton	5.00
Reynolds Wire Co.	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Raymond	5.00
Mrs. C. F. Johnston	1.00
Elks Ladies Auxiliary	1.00
Friend	1.00
Dixon Lion Club	65.00
George Perkins Tyler	25.00
Friend	25.00
Presbyterian Church	5.00
Mothers Club	5.00
Practical Club	5.00
Hugh Miller	2.00
J. E. Winters	1.00
Friend	1.00
Fred Salzman, Polo, Ill.	2.00
Grover V. Gehant	5.00
Miss Carrie Rosenthal	5.00
Mrs. G. A. Van Inwegen	5.00
Newman Brothers	5.00
American Legion Auxiliary	5.00
Junior Am. Legion	2.50
Auxiliary	2.50
A. L. Geisenheimer Co.	10.00
Friend	5.00
Friend	1.00
Society Mutual Aid	2.00
Friend	1.00
Clyde Buckingham	2.00
Thursday Reading Circle	2.00
Frederick M. Kauffman	5.00
R. W. Matthews	2.00
Brotherhood of Carpenters	10.00
& Joiners, Local No. 790	2.00
F. X. Newcomer Co.	10.00
Dixon Nurses Alumni	5.00
Assn.	1.00
George Chapman	10.00
Robert L. Bracken	5.00
Eichler Brothers	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McLean	5.00
Mrs. Warren G. Murray	2.00
Newman Brothers employees	7.50
Friend	2.00
Charles and Florence Mulkins	5.00
B. L. F.	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith	5.00
H. C. Jones	1.00
Friend	1.00
LaVerne Hicks	1.00
Horace Hartman	1.00
G. P. Finch	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. S.	5.00
Rosecrans	5.00
Dorcas Society of the	5.00
Church of God	5.00
Benevolent & Protective	25.00
Order of Elks, Lodge 779	25.00
Mrs. Sidney Altschuler in memory of her mother, Mrs. Sam Bacharach	5.00
Jones Funeral Home	10.00
Dixon Fruit Co.	5.00
E. W. Smith	10.00
Dixon Woman's Club	10.00
Friend	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hubert	10.00
O. E. S. Parlor Club	3.85
Friend	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Shaulis	5.00
Chare Bros.	2.00
Tuesday Luncheon Club	2.00
Walter Knack	1.00
Montgomery Ward Co.	10.00
Wm. A. Zoeller (Chicago)	4.00
Anna L. Geisenheimer	5.00
Conrad Salzman	2.00
Friend	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Esby	5.00
Bridge Club	1.00
Mrs. Eleanor B. Edwards	5.00
Circle No. 4 M. E. Church	5.00
Friends	2.00
Harry H. Bates	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Spencer	1.00
Friend	1.00
Arch Williams	1.00
B. Y. P. U. First Baptist	2.00
Church	2.00
Wa-Tan-Ye Club	10.00

Years Ago

(From Dixon Telegraph)

37 YEARS AGO

The holiday rush at the postoffice has exceeded any previous week in the history of the office. Yesterday afternoon occurred the marriage of Miss Annie Mc Crystal and James Slain which was performed by the Rev. Fr. Michael Foley.

25 YEARS AGO

Shaw Miller has leased the new building at 122 East First street where he will handle the Chalmers and Saxon cars about the first of the year. The Rev. C. E. Stebbins will preach his farewell sermon Sunday at the Congregational church. There was a general suspension of business in Dixon in observance of Christmas.

10 YEARS AGO

Harry Weaver and Howard Bee of Amboy were killed this afternoon when a Burlington gasoline car struck their automobile











ASHTON

Mrs. Grace E. Linscott  
Reporter, Phone 205

Richard Bailey of Elmhurst attended the reunion of the 1939 graduating class on Saturday evening and was a guest at the Wesley H. Yenerich home.

Miss Sarah Calhoun, who is attending business college at Chillicothe, Mo., is spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Calhoun, Sr. Miss Eileen Page, who attends the same school is also home for a visit with her folks.

Herbert Schaller who attends Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa arrived home Friday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Schaller.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wildenradt of DeKalb will be guests on Christmas of Mrs. Wildenradt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. "enerich" motored to Naperville Friday to bring their son, Wallace home for the Christmas vacation. They were accompanied here by Robert Uebele of Port Washington, Wis., who also is a student at North Central college in Naperville. Mr. Uebele left for his home on Saturday.

Burnell Henert, Leslie Sanders, Eugene Herwig, Phyllis Witzel, Frances Jennings, Nevin Kendell, Fred Moye, and Charles Vaupel, all students at the University of Illinois are home to spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Ruth Boyd who teaches in the Rockton public school is home from her duties to spend the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Boyd.

Miss Jean Roth is home from her teaching duties at Alpha to spend the holiday season with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Roth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Chadwick and Mrs. Christine Zeller will entertain at Christmas dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knapp of this place and the S. T. Zeller family of Belvidere.

Paul Glenn of Evanston is home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Glenn.

William Bailey of Elmhurst was a guest over the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orno Kersten and family.

Mrs. Eliza Linscott and daughter, Miss Oliver, will have as their guests at dinner on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gustafson and sons, Glenn and Roger, of Lovell's Park and Mrs. Grace Linscott, son Lyle and daughters, Marjorie and Miriam.

Miss Besie Andrus spent Monday in Dixon where she visited Miss Hattie Brown at the Katherine Shaw Bethesda hospital. Miss Brown had the misfortune to break her ankle in a fall recently. She has many friends who are wishing for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Moore of Rockford are spending the holidays with Mrs. Moore's mother, Mrs. Lena Reich and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Moore. Mr. Moore is an instructor at the Harmon high school.

Miss Mary Albrecht of Rockford was a week end guest of Miss Betty Witzel, at the Adam Witzel home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cannon of Princeton were week end guests at the home of Mrs. Cannon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hilliard.

Christmas Day dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Orner will be Mrs. Ida Batchelor, Miss Besie Andrus and Miss Elizabeth Earl.

Miss Olga Kraft, who is employed at the Clayton Bowers home will spend Christmas with her parents at Beaver Dam, Wis.

Christmas dinner guests will be given this evening at the St. John's Lutheran church and at the Evangelical church. The children of the Methodist Sunday school gave a program last evening, and a very fine program was given by the members of the Reynolds Evangelical Sunday school on Sunday evening. The Presbyterian children gave a program at the church on Thursday evening, following a scramble supper which was enjoyed by members and friends of the church.

Miss Arlene Cross who teaches the Vaupel school south of town will spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. James B. Cross in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Stephan left Saturday morning to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Baker of Streator and the Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Stephan at El Paso.

Mr. Stephan is the instructor of the seventh and eighth grade of the local school.

Class Reunion  
The annual reunion of the class of 1939 of the local high school was held at the home of Miss Joyce Canfield on Saturday evening with fourteen members of the class present. The evening passed quickly with games, visiting and reminiscing and was concluded by a lovely lunch served at small tables. Those in attendance were the Misses, Mary Albrecht, Joyce Heath, Alice Kurth, Joyce Canfield, Marie Wallace, Muriel Ventler, Harriet Hogan and Eileen Page and Richard Bailey, Wallace Yenerich, Ralph Fulton, Burnell Henert, Wyman Olson and Donald Iszoff, Junior.

Church Election  
At the annual meeting of the Evangelical church Tuesday evening Adam Schafer was elected as church trustee for a period of five years. The Sunday school election was held at the same time, and the following will serve during the coming year: Superintendent, Glenn Ploutz; assistant superintendent, Clarence C. Kersten; secretary, Mrs. John Reitz and treasurer, Joy Sandrock. Annual reports of the church and Sunday school were given.

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FUNNY BUSINESS



"You're sure you haven't Christmas and April Fool's Day mixed?"

Christmas Happy Day for Trio of Crippled Children

Chicago, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A little boy abed or in his wheelchair for seven years because his body was twisted by infantile paralysis is getting a "swell" Christmas present this year—some crutches, the ability to stand on them and the knowledge that perhaps he can toss them away by 1942.

A lively little 2½-year-old girl from a North Dakota Indian reservation who couldn't close her big dark brown eyes for a year and a half, can open and shut them as she pleases now—thanks to science and the deft hands of a skilled surgeon.

And a chunky smiling boy of 3, born without legs, is swinging himself from place to place on a chair and a pair of plaster of Paris legs built in a cast. He has proved to his physicians that he has a sufficient sense of balance to justify the exchange of the plaster legs for a pair of steel ones, and he's going to get them soon.

These were among the achievements of modern medical science reported in an interview today by Dr. B. H. Moore, chief surgeon of the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, where more than 60 disabled youngsters from the midwest and other sections of the nation are finding new hope for living.

Rockford Boy Happy  
The boy who is standing after being off his feet for seven years, is 9-year-old James Kohlhorst of Rockford, Ill. When he told him the other day he would be on crutches by Christmas he said it would be a "swell" Christmas present.

When Jimmy entered the hospital last September his hips were drawn up. This was corrected by surgery. His legs were crooked. They were straightened by osteotomy—the surgical art of cutting the bone through and setting it in a straight position again.

Dr. Moore said he expected Jimmy would be able to walk without crutches by the time another Christmas rolls around, but that he would not walk in a normal manner.

"But," he added, "that's better than not being able to walk at all." And Jimmy was quick to agree.

The little girl who to close her eyes again is Bada Hall, sent to the hospital last July from Elbowoods, N. D., by a doctor for the Indian Service. She was burned in an explosion of fluid being used to clean a dress when she was 10 months old. Scar tissue from the burns contracted so it was impossible for her to close her eyes. Dr. Clarence Monroe removed the scar tissue and skillfully sewed in its place skin grafted from another part of her body—so deftly that the stitching resembles a fine piece of embroidery work.

Beda "Life of Party"  
Today Beda is the "life of the party" among the tots who play about the floors of the hospital's corridors.

The legless lad is little Gerald Cashmore of Waukegan, Ill., who was brought to the hospital last October. Since then he's had four sets of plaster legs, each time getting a pair just a little longer than the ones that are discarded.

"His first plaster legs," Dr. Moore said, "were only about an inch long. Each time they were changed they were built a little longer so he could gradually learn to balance himself a little higher. Mother Nature left him just enough muscle below his hips to

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Vesper Service

On Sunday afternoon the choir of the Paw Paw Presbyterian church presented its annual Christmas vesper service. A very good crowd was on hand to hear the special music for the day. Following is the program:

Praise and Glory—Choir and girl's chorus.

The Prophecy—Tenor solo and girl's chorus.

Bethlehem—Choir, alto solo, and girl's chorus.

The Shepherds Vision—Quartet and choir.

The Midnight choir—Alto solo, choir with alto obligato.

The Wise Man—Bass solo, men's voices and girl's chorus.

The Guiding Star—Soprano solo, Women's voices and soprano obligato.

Room for Three—Choir and girl's chorus.

Hallelujah—Choir and girl's chorus.

Schools Closed  
The Paw Paw schools will close for a two week's period for the Christmas holiday. The faculty members will go to their various homes for the holiday. At the beginning of the next semester a new addition will be made to the grade faculty because of the resignation of Miss Alice Glashagall, who will be married on December 28th at Elgin.

Grange News  
On Friday evening the local order of the Grange held their Christmas party and business meeting. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Shadick and Wallie Rautke. A pot luck supper was enjoyed by those attending. A very good number were on hand to enjoy the meeting and take part in the program. The next meeting will be on January 5, 1941. At this meeting will be the installation of officers. Be certain to attend this important local Grange meeting.

P-T. A. Grade Operetta  
On Friday evening the grade schools put on a very fine operetta "Kidnaping of Santa Claus". A very large crowd was on hand to see the fine operetta at the local auditorium.

The kiddies enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus and were awarded with a gift from the grand old gentleman. The big Christmas tree was another main attraction for the audience.

The costume for the operetta was exceptionally fine, and the operetta was one of the best in recent years. All the pupils taking part in program did an excellent job of their respective parts and the directors of this fine program should be congratulated for giving the Paw Paw people such fine entertainment.

Bowling Standings  
Following are the latest standing of the various teams playing at the Town alleys:

Kargers ..... 30 12  
Wheeler D-X ..... 27 15  
Chatterbox ..... 26 16  
Schultz ..... 25 17  
Tolls Five ..... 25 17  
Roulo Recreation ..... 22 20  
Hungry Five ..... 22 20  
Miller's Five ..... 22 20  
Pawshooters ..... 20 22  
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Blue Sculls ..... 19 23  
Ridgerunners ..... 18 24  
Fasco Mills ..... 17 25  
Politschs ..... 15 27  
Swayzes Tavern ..... 14 28  
Butcher Boys ..... 14 28

Initiated into Fraternity  
Stanley Knetsch of Paw Paw, was one of the six University of Illinois students initiated into the Mu Kappa engineering fraternity at the local engineering school.

Personals  
The residence property of the late Mrs. Alpha Chapman, was sold on Wednesday to E. W. Chapman of Leland for the price of \$390.

Mr. and Mrs. John Prentice will entertain the family on Christmas Day.

Miss Rosemary Nangle of Illinois Wesleyan and Miss Elizabeth Nangle of Lombard will spend the Christmas holidays at the Frank Nangle home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knetsch will entertain the family at a Christmas dinner.

John Runyan of Ripon, Wis., came home today and will spend the Christmas Day and a week's vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Lou Runyan, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Runyan of Aurora will be at the Mrs. Runyan home for the Christmas Day.

Miss Florence Grunderman of Chicago arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays at the home of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grunderman. The Grunder-

of Mrs. Sauer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, in Galesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wagner visited in South Bend from Tuesday until Thursday of the past week.

Miss Adelle Bess of Kewanee is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Winters during the holiday season.

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They'll Do It Every Time



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clubs, a billiard table, a soccer football, shiny new cricket wickets, a tournament croquet set of selected woods, an archery target or a canvas canoe for the Thames, it is all spread out before you.

A I have seen no very noticeable change in the art materials departments. You can buy yourself a sketching chair complete with easel as easily as you can buy an extra blanket to use in your shelter.

Refuse Substitutes  
They are still making and selling the elaborate hand-carved frames for your finished picture, refusing in the finished manner to use plaster and composition substitutes.

You might think the recurrent rain of fragments out of doors would discourage the sale of garden furniture, but you would be mistaken. You can get teakwood benches and tables made from old ship's wood as you always could, along with bird baths, stone gnomes, fountains and pre-fabricated rose arbors.

All of England is not in the bomb-torn areas and gardens are as much loved as ever, even in London. The rose which withstands months of bombing is valued more than ever.

The departments devoted to knitting wools are larger than usual and just as colorful, though prices are higher. Yarn supplies are distributed among the stores only after enough is laid aside for the service departments.

Knitting goes on everywhere and Sister Susie still sews socks for soldiers notwithstanding she may live in the front-line trenches in peaceful rural areas. She also knits shelterwear for herself, in between the socks, scarves and balaclava helmets.

I suppose it seems shocking to some that a London woman should be in a pet shop seeking a showy toy for her Pekinese while, several blocks away, in a rubbish pile that was yesterday a sturdy building, army R. P. workers and army engineers seek for bodies of the dead.

Determined People  
But it is all part of the stubborn determination to carry on as usual and let Hitlerian terrorism upset no more of the usual procedures than is necessary. No good would be served by the woman with the Pekie getting in the way of the methodical workers, wringing her hands and becoming a nervous wreck. And she'll probably be doing her stint in a can-teen, driving an official car or reporting to her first-aid post or ambulance station by night.

Shopping in London these days goes uninterrupted on from store opening to store closing, and store hours have been adjusted so that both shoppers and salespeople have time to get to their shelters before the nightly bombardment is too far advanced.

This was not so at the beginning of the blitz. It was then the rule to usher out those customers who wanted out and herd the rest, with the employees, to store shelters, leaving only that part of the staff assigned to A. R. P. and fire watch duties.

That was no go. It annoyed the patrons. It stifled business. It was just as Hitler disrupt everything, letting as the English supposed he intended to. So most of the big stores began to keep doors open and to make use of store-wide signals or loudspeakers which advised all when there was really imminent danger. It developed this danger was rare in the daytime.

Even when the danger comes today, some stores merely evacuate the vulnerable areas. Shopping may continue elsewhere. You are unmolested if you are in the bargain basements. You are usually able to get your shopping done on the main or ground floors, siren or no siren.

North Dakota with 639,690 persons and its sister state, South Dakota, with 611,134, are within 1,500 of being tied in 1940 census figures.

Pennsylvania, slightly smaller than Mississippi, has an area of 45,126 square miles of which 294 square miles are water.

One thing which interests me greatly is the way the sports goods departments keep going. Whether you want a set of golf

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Mrs. Maude Reed  
Reporter  
Phone 181

Surgery

Mrs. Maurice Kilday submitted to an appendectomy at the hospital at Dixon Saturday morning.

"A Joke on Santa"—an operetta—will be given tonight at 7:30 o'clock by pupils of the Brand school. Mrs. Dorothy Bowers, teacher is directing the operetta, and Mrs. Pauline Grant, music instructor, will have charge of the musical portion of the operetta.

Irene Cox will give the welcome recitation. Elizabeth Ann Jones will play a piano solo. Santa Claus will be present to distribute the gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Naylor, Mrs. Edith Bowers and Miss Dorothy Bowers will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Raphael Rubendall at Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Unger of Butler, Ill., are visiting several days at the Harold Unger home.

The Misses Irene Poole of LaGrange and Marguerite Poole of Downers Grove are spending the holiday season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Poole.

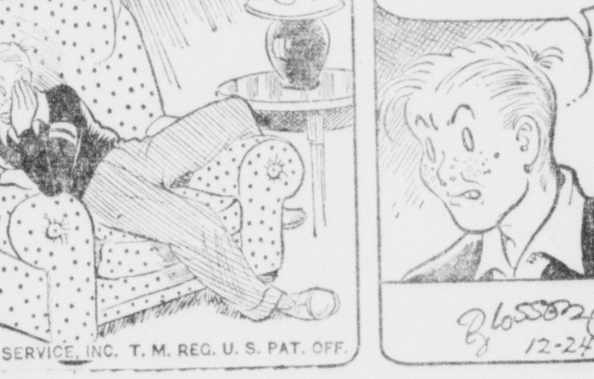
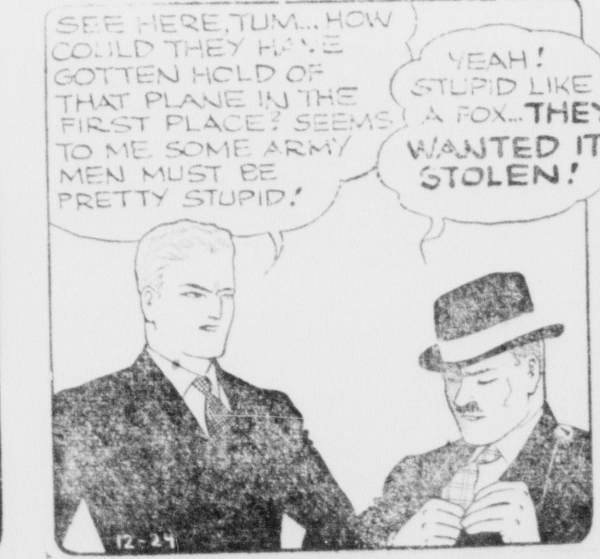
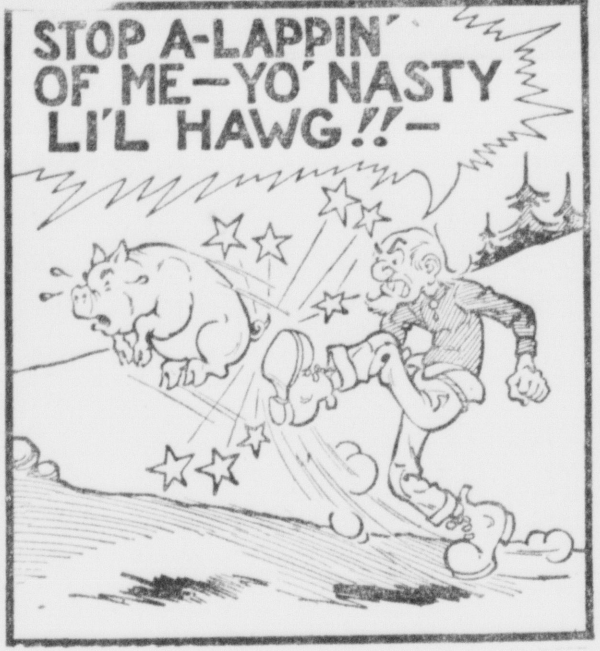
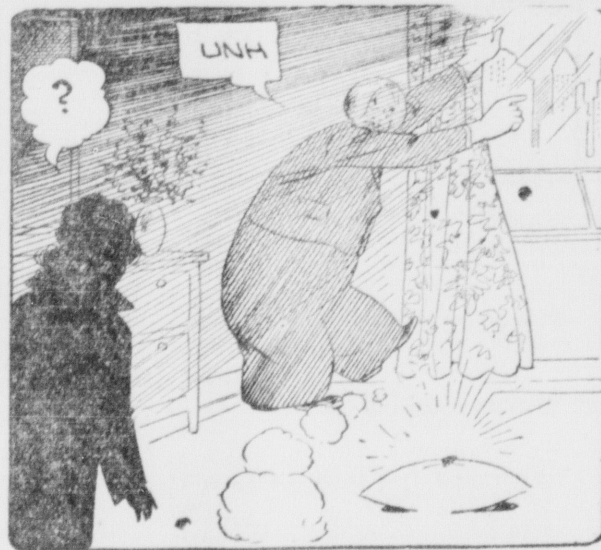
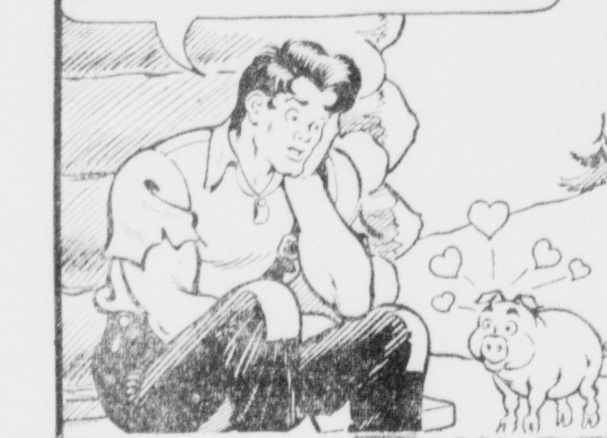
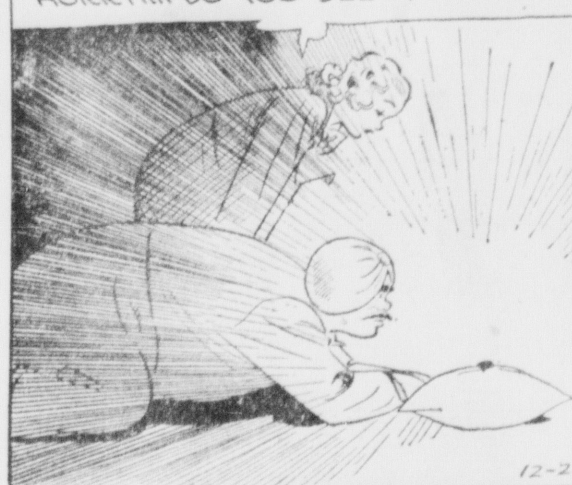
Mr. and Mrs. Dick Folk and son Teddy of Lisbon, Ill., came Friday night to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lazarus. Mrs. Lazarus' other son Bob who is attending Coyne electrical school in Chicago, will arrive home Christmas day for several days visit.

Christmas eve, Dec. 24, the young people of the Lutheran church will present a pageant in the Sunday school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. The program is being sponsored by class No. 2 and will be under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Olive Hedrick.

Sunrise Service  
At 6:00 o'clock on Christmas morning an early service will be held at the Lutheran church. A brief devotional service and Christmas message will be in charge of Rev.



**NEXT:** Where life on earth began.





# CHRISTMAS -1940- GREETINGS

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Music Time—WCFL  
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# LOOKING-GLASS PRAIRIE IS SITE OF NOVEL CITY

Quarters the Radio Communication School of Army

By RUSSELL LANDSTROM  
Scott Field, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—On the Looking-Glass prairie of southern Illinois a new kind of city is being built.

It is a city of comparative permanence for a multitude of transients. Within its gates is quartered the radio communications school of the army, an enormous feeder of the rapidly expanding air corps.

Years ago Charles Dickens, the English novelist, visited the Looking-Glass prairie, so named because of its flatness, heard something of the richness of its Indian lore, and wrote his impressions in his American notes.

None then, of course, could have divined the future mission of the prairie; none could have foreseen the critical hour making necessary the building of cities such as this.

At dawn the mists lay over the field, and the land round about seems actually to have been changed but little since those days now driven deep into the past. But when the softening fog lifts, and the men in uniform hasten in military patterns to their duties, and the tools of hundreds of workmen beat out a symphony, nothing remains of the old but illusion and nostalgia.

You ride over the field one day and have difficulty making passage from one place to another in the areas of new construction; you return the next day and observe to your amazement that a road between those points has been completed.

Community of Wood and Metal  
You visit the expanding precincts and are told that every day two new barracks buildings are added to this community of wood and metal, of technology and disciplined man-power. The smell of lumber and soil and sweat is in the air. Heavy trucks bog down in sticky top dirt, lurch free and are driven away successfully despite other obstacles.

So rapidly does this city grow. So scornful of impediment is the effort toward total preparedness.

Shortly after the first of the year Scott Field will have 10,000 men or more, and the cantonments for the 5,000 newcomers must be ready by that time.

Barracks, mess halls, school buildings, theatres, service clubs. Men, instruments, parachutes, airplanes.

If the government's ambitious plans are realized, the air corps will be three times as large as the entire present standing army. That will mean 600,000 men for 50,000 planes, for behind every plane are two pilots and 10 enlisted men.

Scott Field's function is one of the most vital in the service. But the character of its performance is new.

Before and during the first World War Scott was a field for lighter-than-air craft, and it was to have been the general headquarters for the air corps.

The nature of the reservation changed gradually in the past seven or eight years, the complete alteration taking place when the national defense program was inaugurated a year and a half ago.

Funds for Reconstruction  
At that time \$11,000,000 was authorized for a reconstruction program at Scott Field, now become the rapid communications training center. The old buildings of the World War days were to be torn down and to be replaced by permanent quarters. The program called for the construction of a new hangar and officers' quarters.

For a mess hall which will seat 6,000 men \$209,000 has been allocated; heating unit for this building, which officers say will be the largest of its kind in the army, is costing another \$50,000.

The expansion schedules required additional land. The field, therefore, spread still further into the Looking-Glass prairie.

Nearly 4,000 men are engaged in carrying out the reconstruction and enlargement program. Some 1,500 workers in private industry are employed on the new cantonment project. Twenty-two hundred WPA men are used on foundation, road and landscaping work.

The WPA crews are from Madison and St. Clair counties. They come by various means of transportation, one group traveling back and forth daily in a hearse.

It is a motley sight, the curious

# Large Percentage of London People Now in "Country"

By MILO M. THOMPSON  
New York, Dec. 24—(AP)—There has been a substantial evacuation of London since blitzkrieg began—completely without stampede.

At no time has there been any line of hysterical refugees stringing along the highways, their household goods piled in carts, their mattresses atop the family car. At no time has London ceased to do its business at the old stand.

Trains, buses and taxicabs have all the business they can handle as people go back and forth to work and shop and guard their property.

But the fact remains that a large percentage of London's population has been dumped upon the English countryside outside the London area—and the countryside finds it can scarcely contain it.

All you have to do to prove the point is try to rent a flat, a house or even a room anywhere in the interior of the island. Hotels will tell you they are booked full. Real estate agents will laugh in your face. You can go from door to door with no better luck.

To be sure, the situation in the country is not wholly due to the exodus from London.

The army has complicated the situation by commandeering all manner of small hotels and other large buildings for winter billeting purposes. A couple of million men under arms, many of them imported from the far reaches of the empire and from the lands of occupied allies, can affect considerably such a situation, of course.

Londoners' Biggest Factor  
Londoners, nevertheless, are the biggest factor in the jam.

First there were hundreds of thousands of evacuated children—those children I used to see lined up on railway platforms wearing big tags. Then there were their mothers, and the mothers to be, and the lame, aged and blind, all removed and billeted in more or less orderly fashion and on a more or less voluntary basis by the government itself.

Then there was the exodus of pupils. Most of the private schools in the London area found quarters far away from the bombed areas. They look over unoccupied mansions or big resort hotels. Some of them took clusters of ordinary houses.

Behind them came a large number of purely clerical departments of London firms. They were custodians of duplicate records in some cases, providing reserve offices in the event headquarters "in town" should be bombed out. Certain small insurance and accounting outfits moved bodily to the small villages for the duration. Government departments themselves set up many provincial offices. This movement began before bombardments was an actuality.

Employe Rest Houses  
The trek gained great impetus, however, in the early weeks of the rain of bombs. It had become apparent immediately to most of business that there would be a disastrous let-down in employee efficiency and grave danger to employee health unless arrangements could be made for getting employees frequently outside the zone of noise and nervousness for revitalizing sleep. The big companies began to establish employee rest houses.

I suspect, however, it was a drain of quite another character which has lost London for the present a very large percentage of its citizenry. I base the suspicion upon what has happened to people in my own little circle of friends.

An army colonel, for example, came to me early in the blitz to discuss the possibility of sending his wife and small son to America.

Said he: "I do not know what

contrasting vehicles of the WPA workers; the lumbering trucks and the government's neat olive cars, the array of automobiles, bearing licenses from most of the states, owned by officers and enlisted men at the post.

It is the strange, almost fantastic, new destiny of the Looking-Glass prairie.

# SANTA'S SECRETS—

Chapter 26—Merry Christmas to Everybody!



WHEW! WHAT A RUN! SANTA DIDN'T HAVE ROOM FOR YOU ON HIS SLEIGH, BUT HE TOLD ME TO TELL YOU HE'D PICK YOU UP AFTER HE DELIVERS HIS LOAD.



OH, THAT WILL BE TOO LATE! WE WON'T BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS!



OH, YES YOU WILL! COME ON! YOU'VE BEEN NICE TO ME, AND NOW IT'S MY TURN!



WAKE UP OLD FAT AND FROZEN! GET OUT MY TOBOGGAN! AND HURRY!



COME ON, YOU SNOWMAN, PUFF YOUR SNOW FOR ALL THAT YOU ARE WORTH! HOLD ON, YOU KIDS, HOLD ON REAL TIGHT! WE'RE HEADING BACK TO EARTH!



# Old Roman Villa Being Converted Into War Prison

By G. C. JORDAN  
Fonte D'Amore, Italy, Dec. 24—(AP)—Italy is converting an 18th century villa of the old Roman Orsini family into a prison residence deluxe for high-ranking British officers near this mountain prison camp where some 350 French and British captives are shivering in quarters built during the World War.

With other foreign correspondents, I toured the villa and the camp today and learned that Air Marshal Owen Tudor Boyd, captured when his plan was forced down November 21 in Sicily soon after he was appointed vice commander of British air forces in the middle east, would be brought to the villa soon with other officers.

The villa is at Sulmona, birthplace of the Roman poet Ovid. The camp, built to house 18,000 Austrian prisoners during the World War, is in this suburb whose name means fountain of love, because of the waters here which Ovid prized.

The climate is harsh here in mid-winter, but the location was considered ideal for a prison camp because of its great security. It is about 120 miles from Rome and linked with nearby towns only by a few mountain roads.

An Italian official said greater freedom therefore was allowed prisoners and that officers were permitted to take walks, under guard, outside the camp.

Some Greek prisoners are expected to be brought here soon.

Officers Are Paid  
We were told the camp was run

# Predict Reduction in Hog Production Early in Next Year

By FRANKLIN MULLIN  
Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)—The trend of hog marketings, currently riding the crest of a three-year cycle, is seen by livestock experts as foreshadowing a reduction in production early in 1941.

Basing their calculations on hog receipts at Chicago and other principal corn-belt markets, the livestock men said they believed the peak had been reached in an unusually heavy movement of hogs to slaughter this fall and early winter. They forecast a new cycle in the domestic hog business, probably similar to the one which started in 1933-34 but not as extensive.

The period of increased production—now wearing a close—started around the end of the 1935-37 cycle when prices advanced from below \$4 per hundredweight to above \$12. As supplies increased, however, the price sagged from its 1937 peak and, with corn prices unfavorable for feeding, farmers began to cut production, slashing the total 1940 crop about 10 per cent compared with last year.

Recent Average Prices  
Chicago average hog prices recently have hovered just above the \$6 level, or slightly higher than a year ago. Early in September hogs sold up to almost \$7 compared with near \$8 at the peak in 1939. Late in June the price was below \$5, or the lowest since 1934.

The marketing crest normally is reached early in the new year but in recent seasons hogs have been sent to market earlier. Due partly to the low level of land prices, the value of this important by-product of hog slaughtering has become less of a factor, livestock men said, and as a result farmers were not making as many so-called "lard" hogs. Whereas formerly they fed swine for eight,

# Illinois Allotment for Soil-Depleting Crops Set at 13,882,346 Acres

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—Illinois' allotment for all soil-depleting crops under the 1941 Agricultural Adjustment Administration program has been fixed at 13,882,346 acres.

This total, which includes wheat and corn, was about 3.5 per cent under 1940 allotments for farmers cooperating in the program, said Lee M. Gentry, chairman of the state's AAA committee.

The corn allotment itself was set at 6,527,756 acres, approximately the same as in 1940, Gentry said.

With the exception of 12 western Illinois counties, the county-by-county allotment for next year was about the same as in 1940.

To make adjustments for curtailed planting in 1935 caused by unusual weather conditions, the allotments were boosted for these counties: Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Greene, Hancock, Jersey, Macoupin, Morgan, McDonough, Pike, Schuyler and Scott.

George Washington's first inauguration was in New York and his second in Philadelphia.

# 212,735 State Farms Operated Last Year

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—The Illinois Cooperative Crop Reporting Service has found there were 212,735 farms with a total acreage of 31,412,872 in operation in the state at the close of last year.

Both the number of farms and the acreage showed small decreases from the count at the end of 1938 when 212,853 farms were operating 31,539,629 acres. The farm land inventories were made from the reports of county assessors furnished to the joint federal and state agency.

The Cook county total of farms, 4,537, was the highest for the state, but its acreage was only 253,861 compared with the state's highest county acreage of 719,742 for McLean county which had

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